# DEPARTMENT of GENERAL SERVICES

PROCUREMENT DIVISION ENGINEERING BRANCH



# PERFORMANCE & ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS WORKGROUP

# PERFORMANCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS WORKGROUP MEETING Meeting Notes January 15, 2015 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Ziggurat Room, 2-106, 2nd Floor

**Members Present:** David Sanchez – Ca Dept. of Technology, Alex Gomez - Ca Dept. of Technology, Jethro Tarn – DGS/EPP, Daniel Q. Garza – DGS/EPP, Michael Banuelos - FTB, Bahia Perkins – CalFire, Patrick Bates - EDD

#### 1. Introductions and Attendance

 Dan Garza provided a welcome and began the roundtable of selfintroductions

### 2. Update DGS/EPP Program

• Dan Garza provided an update on the areas of focus for DGS/EPP in 2015. Outreach and Training are priority areas for the DGS/EPP unit. Examples of possible projects include development of tools that can be used by agency buyers to assist them when pursuing EPP procurements. Tools included are standalone training videos for online use, guidance documents, purchasing standards, brochures, factsheets, or other items that can provide EPP information when procuring commodities. A second effort will be outreach which will include training opportunities. EPP will coordinate with state agencies through PES and possibly PART to engage state agencies and offer face to face basic EPP training.

# 3. Engineering Standard Specifications Overview

- Dan G. shared with PES the names of the standard specifications that were developed by the Engineering Branch and asked the PES members if they wanted the spec for review he would provide them. Any comments would be due before the next PES meeting, currently scheduled for March 19, 2015. The specs are:
  - Grader
  - Dozer-Crawler
  - Excavator
  - Loader
  - Refrigerated Truck
  - Truck Refuse

- Gooseneck Trailer (Low Boy)
- Mass Spectrometer
- Gas Chromatograph
- Gloves Examination
- Gloves Surgical
- Hospital Beds

#### 4. Year Ahead Discussions

• Dan G. led the discussion to answer the questions, "How can we make PES work for you?" This was the question that DGS/EPP asked of the PES workgroup to get their input. Discussions focused on three primary areas, outreach, training, and tools. As a starting point, PES members agreed that initial meetings with their buyers would be beneficial to them as well as EPP. These "meet and greets" could be used to develop a better understanding of the process or needs of buyers when they are procuring commodities. Understanding the needs of state agency buyers will be valuable to the DGS/EPP program to focus future efforts when developing tools or training. Subsequent discussion centered on the types of tools that could be used to encourage state agencies to embrace EPP and seek more EPP procurements. A specific tool that was identified was a matrix of verified 3<sup>rd</sup> party environmental certifications and applicable commodities.

#### 5. Closing Remarks/Adjournment

Dan G. thanked everyone for their work on the PES group. Dan G. wrapped it up by saying that PES has had a good year, with the caveat that we definitely need to get more agencies involved, so Dan G. will make a presentation at next PART meeting. Michael B suggested that the Joint Partnership Council could also be a viable outreach avenue to engage other state agencies. Dan G. adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Next PES Meeting
MARCH 19, 2015
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Ziggurat, Room 2-106, 2nd Floor
707 3rd Street, West Sacramento, CA